

# Council of Regional Public Library System Administrators

## Quarterly Meeting

October 29 – 30, 2009

Aitkin, MN

## Meeting Minutes

*Thursday, October 29, 2009*

The meeting was called to order in the meeting room of the Aitkin Branch of the East Central Regional Library (ECRL) at 8:58 a.m. by the Chair, Kirsty Smith. Present were Ann Hutton (SELCO), Barbara Misselt (East Central), Chris Olson (MELSA), Jim Weikum (Arrowhead), John Houlahan (Pioneerland), Kathy Fredette (Lake Agassiz), Kirsty Smith (Great River), Mark Ranum (Plum Creek), Dayle Zelenka (Traverse des Sioux), Peg Werner (Viking). Not in attendance were Barb Jauquet-Kalinoski (Northwest) and Marian Ridge (Kitchigami).

Motion by Mark Ranum, seconded by Dayle Zelenka, to adopt the Agenda. **Motion carried.**

Ranum led a discussion concerning possible changes in the distribution formula for *Regional Library Basic System Support (RLBSS)* funds. Motion by Dayle Zelenka, seconded by Mark Ranum, that the CRPLSA Sub-group assigned with reviewing the *RLBSS Formula* is asked to bring to the January CRPLSA meeting a proposal for applying a “freeze” to the *Formula*. **Motion carried.**

The dates and host systems for the 2010 quarterly CRPLSA meetings were determined:

- ◆ January 27, 28 & 29 @ a Great River site
- ◆ April 28, 29 & 30 @ a MELSA site
- ◆ July 28, 29 & 30 @ the Viking headquarters
- ◆ October 27, 28 & 29 @ a Lake Agassiz site

Smith led a discussion about possibly establishing a legal CRPLSA “entity.” The group then discussed possible changes to the CRPLSA *Bylaws* as suggested by the subgroup consisting of Smith, Fredette, Olson, and Weikum. Additional modifications were discussed. Motion by Peg Werner, seconded by Mark Ranum, that the additional changes be incorporated into a draft revision of the *Bylaws* that will be presented for action at the CRPLSA meeting in January. **Motion carried**, with Chris Olson and Kirsty Smith voting against.

The meeting was temporarily suspended for a lunch break. Present for lunch and for portions of the afternoon meeting were Bill DeJohn (Minitex), Kathleen James (MELSA), and Nick Dimassis (East Central).

Committee reports were presented, including a Summer Reading Program report from Kathleen James. Motion by Peg Werner, second by Mark Ranum, that any “profits” earned from the sale of Summer Reading Program materials be moved into the “undesignated” CRPLSA Fund, with full knowledge that additional costs will be incurred (e.g. the Collaborative Summer Library

Program/CSLP). **Motion carried**, with Ann Hutton abstaining.

Kathleen James continued her report relating to the Summer Reading event at the 2009 Minnesota State Fair. Motion by John Houlahan, seconded by Mark Ranum, that CRPLSA again pursue a partnership with MELSA to stage a Summer Reading event at the 2010 Minnesota State Fair. **Motion carried**, with Peg Werner and Kirsty Smith voting against.

Chris Olson outlined plans relating to the nature of MELSA's future participation in the multi-state Collaborative Summer Library Program (CSLP). As a result, and based on the understanding presented by Kathleen James that discussion at the April 2010 CSLP meeting will relate to the 2011 multi-state program, there was a motion by Mark Ranum, seconded by Ann Hutton, that CRPLSA send Rebecca Patton (Arrowhead) and Vickie Sorn (East Central) to the 2010 CSLP meeting in Tacoma, Washington as Minnesota's representatives. Mollie Pherson (SELCO) would serve as alternate. **Motion carried**, with John Houlahan voting against.

Motion by Mark Ranum, seconded by Kathy Fredette, that Rebecca Patton be designated as the "lead person" for Minnesota's CSLP representation. **Motion carried.**

Ann Hutton presented the CRPLSA Financial Report. Motion by Mark Ranum, seconded by Barbara Misselt, to accept the Financial Report. **Motion carried.**

Motion by Kathy Fredette, seconded by Mark Ranum, to approve the draft Minutes from the July 2009 CRPLSA meeting. **Motion carried.**

Kirsty Smith noted that CRPLSA Chair for 2010 is Barbara Misselt (East Central) and that the Secretary for 2010 is Peg Werner (Viking).

Motion by Chris Olson, seconded by Kathy Fredette, to adjourn the meeting. **Motion carried.** The meeting adjourned at approximately 4:29 p.m.

Faithfully rendered,

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Jim Weikum, CRPLSA Secretary (2009)

***Friday, October 30, 2009***

The meeting was called to order in the Meeting Room of the Aitkin Public Library at 9:05 a.m. by the Chair, Kirsty Smith. Present were Ann Hutton (SELCO), Barbara Misselt (East Central), Chris Olson (MELSA), John Houlahan (Pioneerland), Kathy Fredette (Lake Agassiz), Kirsty Smith (Great River), Mark Ranum (Plum Creek), Dayle Zelenka (Traverse des Sioux). Also present was Nick Dimassis (East Central) and Rebecca Patton (Arrowhead). Not in attendance

were Marian Ridge (Kitchigami), Jim Weikum (Arrowhead), Peg Werner (Viking), and Barb Jauquet-Kalinoski (Northwest).

Motion by Mark Ranum, seconded by Dayle Zelenka, to adopt the Agenda with the deletion of the State Library Report and the addition of LSTA (Misselt) and Meeting Environment (Olson). **Motion carried.**

The group discussed a possible CRPLSA LSTA grant application for a statewide downloadable audio books license. **Motion** by Ann Hutton, seconded by Mark Ranum that in lieu of a statewide LSTA Letter of Intent for downloadable audiobooks, CRPLSA will invite the State Librarian and the Minitex Director to participate in a January discussion about the possibility of such a license and prior to the meeting CRPLSA will conduct an environmental scan including information about current contracts, statistics, etc. **Motion carried.** Mark Ranum will send out a survey to gather information.

CRPLSA members and guests participated in a lengthy discussion concerning the components of a statewide *Greatest Generation* with representatives from the Minnesota Historical Society. **Motion** by Mark Ranum, seconded by Kathy Fredette that Mark and Chris continue planning with the Minnesota Historical Society including staffing and programming plans and costs and provide an update to CRPLSA via an online meeting in 2-4 weeks. **Motion carried.**

Additional discussion continued on various other Legacy topics. **Motion** by Kirsty Smith, seconded by Dayle Zelenka to pursue a Library edition in the *Minnesota Byways Series* published by Minnesota Historical Society Press. **Motion carried.**

Chair Smith declared the meeting to be adjourned at approximately 11:54 a.m.

Faithfully rendered,

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Ann Hutton, Acting CRPLSA Secretary (October 2009)

*Approved January 29, 2010*